GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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INCREASING TOLL TAX
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the toll taxes charged on the National Highways in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the estimates amount of toll incurred by the Government annually on the maintenance of the National Highways in the country; and

(d) the present criteria of fixing the toll taxes in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) and (b) User Fee(Toll) charged on National Highways in the country are subject to revision, based on wholesale Price Index(WPI). The rates notified for public funded project are revised every 5 years whereas the rates for BOT(Build, Operate and Transfer) projects are revised on the basis of concessionaire agreements.

(c) The revenue realised from toll forms a part of the General revenue of the Government. Funds for maintenance of National Highways are provided separately in the Budget.

(d) The levy and collection of the User fee(Toll) is governed by the National Highway(rate of fee) rules 1997 and as amended from time to time.